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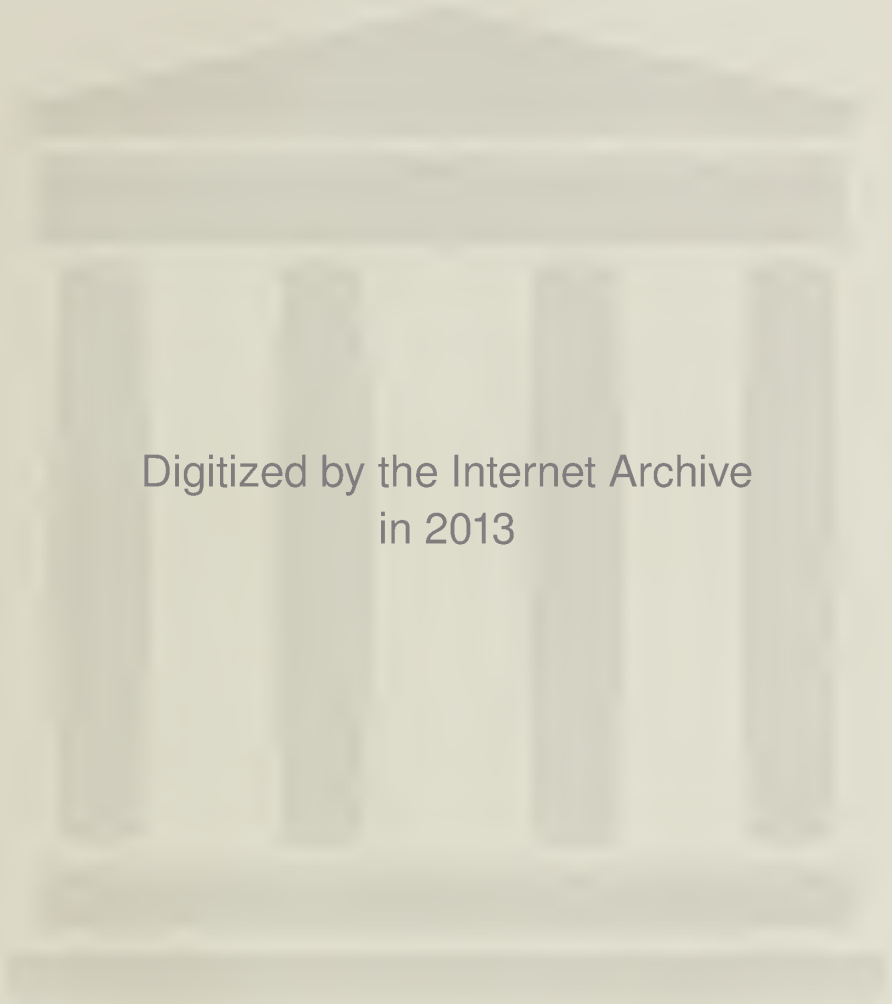
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"Majestic monarch of
the sky
The sign of hope and
triumph high."

We pause to salute you!

"I pledge allegiance to the Flag
of the United States of America
and to the Republic for which it
stands, one Nation indivisible,
with liberty and justice for all."

1944

We dedicate our Year Book to those boys and girls of the Edward F. Searles High School who have entered the Armed Service, and to those who have given their lives for their country.

Standing: A. Nicholson, J. Bagnell, B. Ingalls, C. Brown, M. Gavitte, C. Skillings, C. Lyman, J. Byrne, U. Beaumont, J. Melia, C. Elwell, J. Hannigan

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Class Poem

We're just one family of happy girls and boys,
Bearing each others' sorrows, sharing each others' joys.
And after many years of studies,
Of being friends and loyal buddies,
We've gained the knowledge which we sought,
And reached the goal for which we fought.

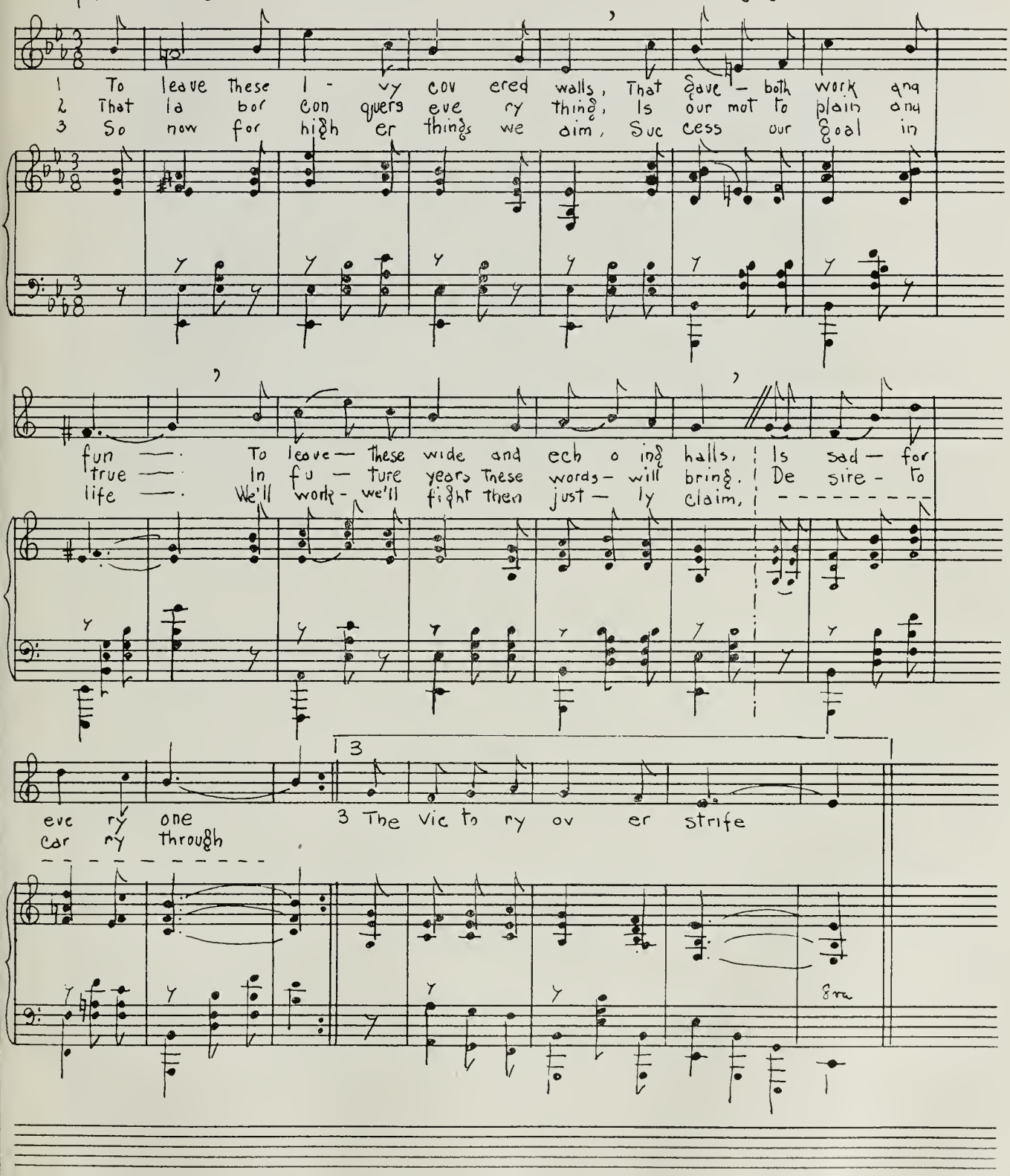
To us, our colors black and gold will always be,
A symbol and a pledge of love and loyalty.
Our heads are held high with triumphant pride,
Yet parting tears we cannot hide.
A feeling of dread comes o'er us today,
For each must go his separate way.

When the earth is darkened with shadows of night,
We'll pray for those classmates who left us to fight.
They've answered their country's urgent call,
Remembering our motto,, "Labor conquers all."
As we plant the ivy for '44,'
Fond memories will linger for ever more.

—*Ruth M. Peglow*

Words by Joy Edson

19-Class Song-44

Music by Ann Di Lavore

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Standing: F. Furman, D. Rose, J. Deacy, F. Cole, A. Perrault
Seated: J. Edson, M. Coulombe, F. Hyde, S. Jagger, P. Maguire.

Year Book Staff

WE, the Staff of the 1944 Year Book, are pleased to present to you the result of our work. We sincerely hope you will enjoy reading this yearbook as much as we have enjoyed compiling it. We found the work fun under our grand editor-in-chief., John Deacy, Jr.

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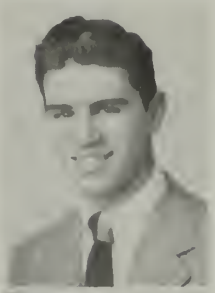


ARCHIE APKARIAN

"Such heavenly figures from his pencil flow"

Track Team, Cadets 3 Football 4

Perhaps you have not heard about Archie's artistic talents. Those who know him can tell you that his keen sense of humor and his wit have brightened the years of association with him.

ALAN ARNFIELD

"Speaking of Marconi . . . . . ."

Cadets 2, 3

Alan was the speed artist in the radio class. Radio is his chief hobby, and he has a private set of his own. Under that quiet surface, we feel are the qualities that look on to fame.

AGNES ARZOONIAN

"Good sense and good nature are never separated"

Agnes is a refined person. She is always good natured and sociable. She little realizes how much she brightens life for those around her, with her gay, light laugh and warm smile. Good luck, Agnes.

WILLIAM ATKINSON

"Full of life, full of fun . . .
Speaking of sports, he's one."

Football, Basketball, Baseball, Cadets 3
Football, Basketball, Baseball, Senior Play,
Various Committees, President 4

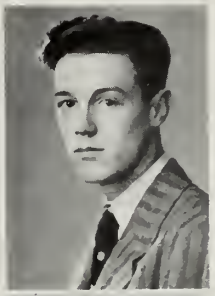
When it comes to basketball, Bill certainly has what it takes. Besides being a good sport, he's a grand fellow to know. He gets a great kick out of life, and is ready to laugh at anytime. With your happy, likeable nature, we know you'll get the best, Bill.

GRACE AKMAKJIAN

"A willing worker who keeps her standards high"

Girls' A. A. 2 Basketball 2
Blue and White 4

Although quiet in manner, Grace has plenty of vigor. She has kept us well supplied with laughs from her humor column in the "Blue and White." Those honor-roll marks will carry you far, Grace.



WILLIAM BAHAN

"Some think he is quiet, but . . . "

Basketball 2, 4 Football 3, 4

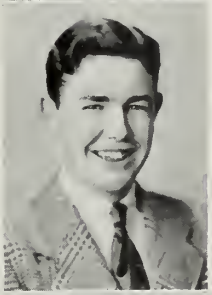
William Bahan, better known as "Bucky", was one of the fellows at all the dances and school activities. He was on the basketball and football teams. In school he appeared to be quiet, but we understand that outside of school he can make his share of the noise.

CHARLES BAMFORD

"Earnest and diligent . . .
Success is his."

Cadets 2, 3, 4 Track 2

Charlie has always been a good student. We have found him a hard worker, a modest and quiet companion and a fellow with a serious outlook on life. Surely these qualities lead to success.

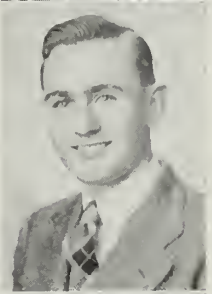


ROBERT BAMFORD

"Did you get a shock, Bob?"

Cadets 2, 3 Senior Play 4

If you're looking for an electrician, remember the Senior Play. Bob played the part of John, the electrician. We don't know whether he actually repaired the lamps on the stage or not, but he appeared to be a master mechanic of electricity.



LESLIE BARDEN

"It's unwise to be too serious"

Band 1, 2 Cadets 3

He is a quiet member in our class with whom an acquaintance is necessary to fully appreciate his depth as a friend. He is good-natured and generous, and if these qualities are assets, "Les" is certain to be a winner.

FRANCES BARKER

"'Never to boast of her deeds' was her motto"

Basketball 2, 3, Capt. 4 Girls' A. A. 2, 3, 4
Girl Reserves 3 Bowling League 4
Blue and White 4

Frances is faithful and energetic in her work at school. We have known her as a keen, humorous, big-hearted companion, and a thorough student, a proven athlete, and the possessor of a fine disposition. She is certainly marked for good fortune.

HELEN M. BARMBY

"Cheerfulness and good will make labor light"

Girls' A. A. 2, 4

Helen, for the most part, is very quiet. Her friends can tell you she is a pleasant person and a nice girl to know. She doesn't seem to mind working at all, in fact, she seems to enjoy it. We wish her all the success in the world.

RUTH BASSETT

"Good nature is one of the richest fruits of personality"

Girls' A. A. 2 Girl Reserves 2, 3

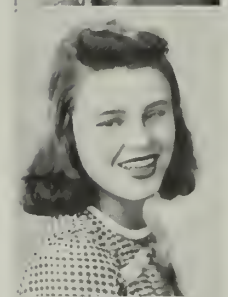
We remember Ruth as the girl who liked very much to play records and dance. She gets along easily with everyone, and takes things as they come. As to her ambition, she wants to be a physiotheropathist. Good luck, Ruth.

CAROLYN J. BATEMAN

"Quiet and neat, thoughtful and sweet."

Girls' A. A. 2 Girl Reserves 4

Carolyn, quiet in appearance, is really full of fun. She is always willing to be of whatever help she can. These winning qualities, aided by your geniality, are sure to speed you to achievement, Carolyn.



AVIS BERRY

"She was sufficient to herself for happines."

Girls' A. A. 2, 3

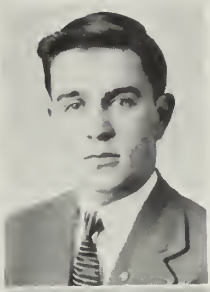
Whenever we recall Avis, we see her as a girl who was continually enjoying herself. Whatever way the wind blew, Avis always found something funny. Happiness and fun, Avis.

ELEANOR BODWELL

"Pleasure first, let business take care of itself"

Girls' A. A. 2, 3 Girl Reserves 2

Care-free and fun-loving is Eleanor. She has been one of the most cheerful girls of the class. Her favorite expression is 'Are you kidding?'. We are confident she will win high standing.



HARVEY A. BOISJOLY

"Work is my inspiration"

Baseball Team 2, 3 — Cadet Corps 2, 3, 4

Harvey has been active in sports during his days at Searles. He is a quiet fellow and one of our most faithful workers. He has displayed those qualities of industry and perserverance which commend him heartily to accomplishment.

DOROTHY BOISVERT

"She has a smile for everybody"

Dot maybe classed as one of the quiet members of our school, but those who know her will tell you that she has a sunny disposition and an infectious laugh. We wish you luck and hope that you will be highly successful as a nurse.

GEORGIA BROWN

"Never too busy to help"

Girls' A. A. 2, 3, 4 — Girl Reserves 2, 3, Sec'y. 4
Basketball 3 — Girls Basketball Manager 4
Secretary 3, 4 — D. A. R. Award
Various Party Committees

Georgia is a girl worth knowing. Always happy, she is easy to get along with. We appreciate the assistance she has given so freely at school affairs, and as the manager of the girls' basketball team. Her dependability, honesty, and good citizenship were rewarded by her election as the girl to receive the D. A. R. medal. The best of luck, Georgia.

EILEEN BUNTING

"'To smile and never harbor care',
has been her proverb"

Girls' A. A. 2, 3, 4 — Girl Reserves 2

Here we have "Bunny", who would rather play than work. Since she is an affable and genial companion, we are sure "Bunny" will make friends wherever she goes.

HENRIETTA C. BUSTA

"Good natured, gracious, and sociable"

Girls' A. A. 2

"Nice to know", best describes Henrietta. She has rosy-colored checks and a merry twinkle in her eyes. Her grand disposition has acquired for her a host of friends.

HAZEL A. BYRNE

Girls' A. A. 2, 3 Girl Reserves 2, 3, 4

"It's nice to be natural when you're naturally nice"

Hazel is a quiet person with a reserved manner and a pleasing personality. We hear she wants to be a dental hygienist, and with her commendable assets and cheerful smile she'll surely reach the top.

ANTHONY CARPENITO

"So industrious"

Anthony has been with us only in his Senior year. Perhaps you remember his poetry in the Blue and White. Whether writing poetry is his ambition or not, we do not know, but, to be sure, he has talent along that line.

THOMAS CARUSO

"Happy am I, from care - - I'm free,
Why aren't they all contented like me."

Cadets 2, 3

Tom has an amiable and happy disposition. We might say he liked play better than work. He has been a cheerful companion, and when he leaves us, we are confident he will make a name for himself.

LOUISE CEDERGREN

"Trouble never troubles her"

Girls' A. A. 2, 3, 4 Ring Committee 3

A gay laugh and a flippant word introduces us to Louise. She has an everlasting flow of pep and good humor, along with an endless list of admirers to whom she is always writing. Never without a witty remark, she has a comment for every one she meets.

EDNA CHAMBERS

"Golden coins drop into the pockets of many.
But golden ideas into the minds of few"

Studious indeed is Edna. Usually she can be seen studying diligently every morning before school starts. With such industrious spirit, we know prosperity will be hers.

EVELYN CHAPMAN

"Gentle, kind and keen of mind is she"

Girls' A. A. 2

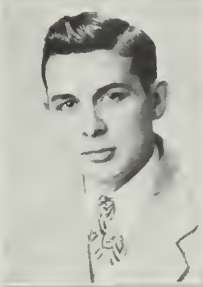
A shy smile introduces Evelyn, who accomplishes much with apparently no great effort. During her years at Searles she remained calm and thoughtful. We pick her out as a member of the class who will have quiet, though complete, success.

ALICE A. CHUTE

"Why an ambition? I admire my present state"

Girls' A. A. 2, 3, 4 Girl Reserves 2

Alice has been high-spirited. She was always full of energy and enthusiasm. We have come to know her as a worthy member of the class with the qualities that make for the best.

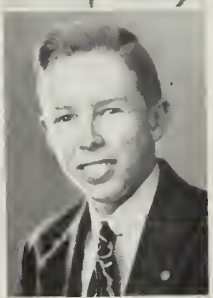


HARRY CODY

"Be always as merry as ever you can,
For no man delights in a sorrowful man"

Cadets 2, 3 Various Committees 2, 3, 4
Student Council 4

Harry seems to us to be always in a hurry. We cannot remember him as ever being relaxed, although we recall a composition he wrote which expounded the necessity of long hours of sleep. He has always stood ready to perform any task for the school, and these qualities which he has developed in his work will surely bring him favorable results.



FRANK G. COLE

"With a mind just as broad
As his body is long"

Cadets 2, 3, 4 Year Book Staff 4

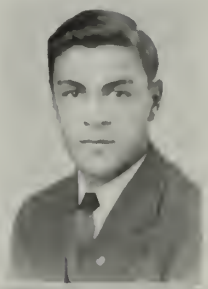
In his future career, whatever it may be, we are sure Frank will do very well. In mathematics, Frank is a shark. To those who have sat near him, no class could ever become monotonous, for his kindly humor is the unyielding enemy of gloom.

ELIZABETH COLPITTS

"Chuck full of pep"

Basketball 2 Bowling League 4
Girl Reserves 3

Elizabeth, always laughing, is possessed of a gay disposition and a friendly manner. People who meet her like her immediately because she herself is the type of person who enjoys people immensely. There will always be something to make you laugh, Elizabeth.



RAYMOND CORMIER

"A good sport"

Football 2, 3, 4 — Basketball 4
Track 2, 3, 4 — Cadets 2, 3, 4
President 3

Ray's quiet, unassuming manner is appreciated by all who know him, just as his big, friendly grin is enjoyed by those upon whom he smiles. His ability in athletic fields is something not to be spoken of lightly. He is a cheerful, hard worker, and we can see but one thing ahead for him, the very best of luck.

RALPH C. CORLESS

"Hold the bell; here comes Bud"

Football 2, 3, 4 — Basketball 2, 4
Cadets 2, 3, 4 — Student Council 4

During our three years at high school, Bud has driven his room teachers frantic by being late constantly. However his tardiness did not lesson his athletic prowess; he excelled in football and basketball. We'll miss seeing him drive up to school in his snappy convertible Ford.

MARY LOU COULOMBE

"Always in a hurry, but always willing to help"

Basketball 2, 3, 4 — Blue and White 4
Girls' A. A. 2, 3, 4 — Year Book Staff 4
Girls Reserves 3 — Bowling League 4
Various Committees

If you ever noticed a red-head dashing down the corridors, it probably was Mary Lou. Her engaging personality, reserved manner, contagious laugh, and keen humor are but a few of her prominent characteristics. She is a willing worker who has given generously of her time and effort to the activities of our class. We appreciate your helpfulness and hope that your plans for the future will materialize, Mary Lou.

JAMES CRABTREE

Cadets 2, 3

"He is little, he is wise:
He's a terror for his size"

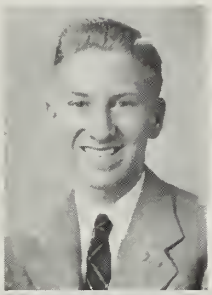
Jimmy can usually be found talking, and when he isn't talking he's up to some mischief. He dotes on jive and swing music and is noted for his familiar whistling. He's kept us amused during high school with his witty remarks and constant chatter. With your magnetic personality you'll always have friends, Jimmy.

THERESA M. CROCHETIERE

Girls' A. A. 2, 3, 4 — Girl Reserves 2

"Of mildest manner
and gentlest heart"

As long as we have known Theresa, she has always been friendly, courteous, and soft-spoken. Pleasing to look at, she has very fair, smooth skin and a beautiful smile. You've won many friends with your pretty smile, Terry.



ROBERT CULLEY

"Liked by all who know him"

Cadets 2, 3 Vice President 3

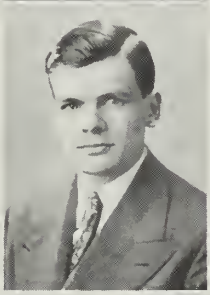
Bob is favored with many excellent qualities. Chief among these is an unvarying pleasant disposition. He is a cheerful classmate and our association with him for four years has been a pleasant one.

JOHN CUNHA

"Liked by all who know him"

Cadets 2, 3, 4 Various Committees

Judging from his marks in high school. we are certain John will be a success. He always has a friendly greeting for everybody. His ambition is to be an aeronautical engineer.

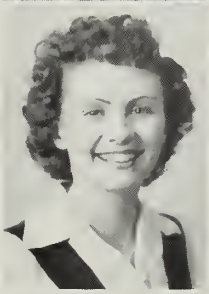


JOHN DEACY

**"Never on furtive mischief bent,
he's always on his tasks intent"**

Band 2, 3, 4 Year Book Staff 4

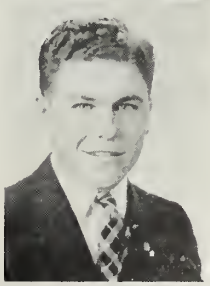
John is reputed as being a very calm, self-contained fellow. That may be so, but, nevertheless, he observes a great deal. Being ambitious, he is ready to help in whatever work there is to be done. We hope you are as successful in college as you've been in high school, John.



RUTHE DE CAUWER

**"Not afraid of work but not in
sympathy with it"**

Although she doesn't shirk work, Ruthe is a girl who will take pleasure first and work afterwards. She has at all times been willing to contribute her help for any work at hand.



LOUIS A. DE LUCIA

"God bless the man who first invented sleep"

Cadets 2, 3

Louis is habitually yawning. However, we remember him as the fellow who always was willing to help the other fellow out. Here's hoping you will get what you strive for, Louis.

CLAIRE DERBY

"There is always time"

Girls' A. A. 2

Nothing seems to hurry Claire, who always appears to have time on her hands. We certainly envy her, her slow, easy-going temperament. Just keep your carefree disposition, Claire, and you are certain to have a good time.

DOROTHY L. DIETZEL

"Always carefree and smiling"

Girls' A. A. 3, 4 Bowling League 4
Girl Reserves 3, 4

Dot is a great bowling lover, and no wonder! We heard about those fine scores she piles up. With her friendly smile and easy manner, she's sure to qualify as an excellent nurse.

ANN DI LAVORE

"Always so quiet"

Girls' A. A. 2, 3 Glee Club 4

An extremely quiet girl, Ann can always be found absorbed in her homework. She has been a loyal classmate for three years. Nothing but the best, Ann.

RONALD DIODATI

"A lover of style and all that's new"

Cadets 2, 3, 4

Ronald always managed to wear the flashiest necktie in the class. During his Senior year in the Cadet Corps, he was a captain, a rank which his military bearing earned for him. His ambition is to join the Marines. Here's hoping you attain your ambition, Ronald.

MARGUERITE DOLAN

"There is mischief in every dimple"

Girls' A. A. 2, 4 Bowling League 4
Girls Reserves 4 Ring Committee 3

Peggy is another of the girls in the Bowling League. You may have noticed her charming dimples when she smiles. She always has something to do, and generally seems to have a fine time doing it. We know you'll like whatever you do, Peg.

BARBARA ANN DONOHUE

"Mischief lurks in her eyes"

Girls' A. A. 2
Girl Reserves 2
Band 3
Senior Play Committee 4
Basketball 3

Barbara's gay and happy disposition has been a joy to us all. Usually she sits serenely in her corner of the room, but always with that twinkle in her eye. We are glad to have known you, Barb, and wish you luck.

MALCOLM DOUGLAS

"He may look quiet, but look again!"

Band 1, 2, 3, 4
Rythm Unit 1, 2, 3, 4

Mal is an easy-going fellow. He appears unconcerned, but where excitement is, Mal is always in the midst of it. When girls are round, he delights in teasing them. Smooth sailing, Mal.

SIMONE DUSSAULT

"To have a friend is to be one"

Gym 2, 3, 4
Girls' A. A. 2
Girl Reserves 3, 4

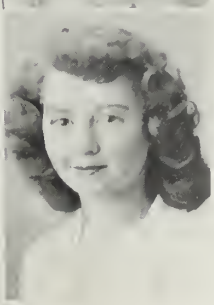
An "all-round" girl with a winning smile, Simone is always ready to help where she is needed. Her cheerful disposition and pleasant ways have won for her many friends.

JOYCE DYER

"Better late, than never"

Gym 2, 3, 4
Girl Reserves 2, 4
Basketball 2, 3, 4
Girls' A. A. 2

With her charming personality, fondness for sports and willingness to work, Joyce constitutes an all-round girl. Do you think you'll be there on time, Joyce?



JOY EDSON

"A winning way, a pleasant smile,
Dressed so neat, and quite in style"

Gym 2, 3 4
Girl Reserves 2
Various Committees
Year Book Committee 4
Girls' A. A. 2, 3, 4

Joy always has a smile and a good word for everyone. She is ever willing to help you out, when at all possible. Her happy manner and fine school spirit are two outstanding characteristics. You're a real friend, Joy.

MADELYN EICHORN

"Her ready wit and cheery smile, proclaim to all, she's a friend worth while"

Gym 1, 2, 3
Class Play Committee 4
Blue and White 4
Girl Reserves 2
Girls' A. A. 2

Madelyn's smiling way and pleasing disposition have won her many friends. She is often seen with a car full going to our school games. How's the candy business, Madelyn?

MARY ELWARD

"She's pretty to walk with and witty to talk with"

Gym 2, 3
Girls' A. A. 2
Glee Club 4
Girls Basketball 2

Did you ever notice what a pleasant voice Mary has? She is ever ready for work or fun, and as a telephone operator, she should be tops.

EVELYN ESPINOLA

"A merry heart doth good like medicine"

Gym 2, 3, 4
Girls' A. A. 2

"Evie" has a friendly smile and a cheery word for everyone, and as a nurse, her understanding way should make a hit with all her patients.

JOSEPHINE FARO

"Kind hearts are the garden
Thoughts are the Roots"

Josephine is kind and thoughtful and her even disposition and pleasant nature have won her many friends. Whatever your ambition, we wish you best of luck.

PRISCILLA FAUL

"A little work, a little play
Sweet and Modest all the day"

Gym 2, 3, 4
Girls' A. A. 2
Bowling League 4
Various Committees

Don't be deceived by "Pris's" quiet manner. Her friends know well her love for fun and good times. How her teachers must have liked her efficient and accurate typing.

PHYLLIS FEATHER

"A ready smile, and a cheery word"

Gym 2, 3, 4 Girls' A. A. 2

A good student, and a jolly good friend. "Phyl's" cheery disposition and willingness to lend a hand when she is needed make her a welcomed member in any class.

BARBARA FEUGILL

"A person worth knowing"

Barbara's even temperment and cheerful manner have made her a welcome addition to our class. Many of us have noticed the beautiful diamond that she is wearing and all our good wishes go to Barb for the happiness which she surely deserves.

EILLEEN FORD

"Endowed with that rare characteristic—speech"

Gym 2, 3, 4 Girl Reserves 2
Ring Committee 3 Girls Bowling League 4
Girls' A. A. 2, 4

By this, we don't mean to impose upon Fordy's good-nature. She is one of the bright stars in Edward F. Searles' '44 galaxy, a real friend right up to the last. Brilliance and success will be yours in the future.

JANE FREEMAN

Gym 2, 3 Girls' A. A. 2

"Quiet, but full of fun"

Although she has what appears to be a reserved manner, Jane has endeared herself to all. She is claimed to be a real friend because of her fine courtesy, pleasing smile, and class spirit. You'll reach the top, Jane.

RAYMOND FRENCH

"Joy have I had"

Ray is a small package of mischief. Although seemingly quiet, he is always in the midst of excitement. His broad smile and ever-present interest in others are two prominent features. Good luck, Roy.

CHARLES TOWNE

"Anchors Aweigh"

"Chuck" left us at the beginning of the year to join Uncle Sam's Navy .He always had a joke to tell and we certainly miss that carefree manner of his. The best of luck to you, Charlie.

ARLENE FRY

"Witty, smiling gay -- here's luck along the way"

Girl Reserves 2 — Girls' A. A. 2
Gym 2, 3

We are all familiar with Arlene's happy smile, pleasing disposition, and sparkling personality. She has thoroughly enjoyed her high school years, being serious or witty, as the occasion demanded. May you always keep your winning ways, Arlene.

FRANCIS FURMAN

"By the work, one knows the workman"

President 1, 2 — Band 1, 2, 3, 4
Ring Committee 3 — Basketball 2, 3, 4
Year Book 4 — Baseball 2, 3, 4
Orchestra 2

Fran is one of the most dependable and capable members of our class: his two years as President and his work on various committees has proven this. As captain of the basketball team, he was largely responsible for its victories. We know you will reach the top in whatever you do, Fran.

VIVIAN GAGNON

"Still waters run deep"

Girls' A. A. 2 — Girl Reserves 4
Gym 2, 3, 4

You may think Vivian is one of thase quiet, studious classmates, but her smile, manner, and school spirit have gained many a friend. She is always willing to help. We're all for you, Vivian.

AGNES GANEM

"Happy and gay she goes on her way"

Girls' A. A. 2 — Gym 2, 3

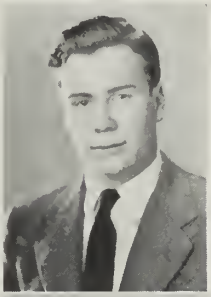
"Aggie" is pleasant, friendly, lively and good-natured. Her smile is so contagious that those she meets unconsciously go on smiling. Business-like efficiency is a preview of the success we feel sure that the future holds for her. Best of luck, Aggie.

ISABEL GARABEDIAN

"Quiet but efficient"

Gym 2, 3 — Glee Club 4
Girls' A. A. 2

Isabel, a seemingly quiet girl, has proved to be a very true friend to those who know her well. Her efficiency in class work is just a preview of her post-school days. Success will be yours.

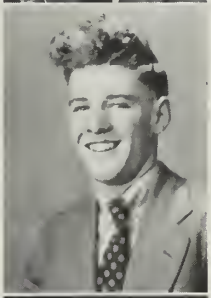


JOHN GARRY

"With never a care in the world"

Senior Play 4 Baseball 4

A big grin and cheery word are two things we always expect from Jack. Jokes and witty conversation are just his dish. Keep the sun shining all the time, Jack!



ELLIS GILL

"A regular fellow"

Cadets 2, 3 Track 3, 4

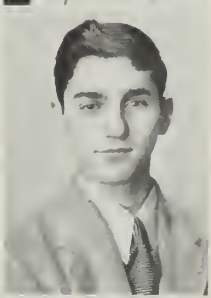
"Al" is a blonde lad with a smile and good word all the time. He is very agile on his feet and apt at track. "Smile and the world smiles with you", is his motto.

AUDREY GORHAM

"Witty, lively, and full of fun"

Band 2, 3, 4 Girl Reserves 2
Various Committees Basketball 4

Here is our drum major who led our band this year. Audrey is one of those "regular" girls. Her spirit, happy manner and gay disposition mark her as a loyal supporter of Edwards F. Searles High. Good luck, Audrey!



PHILLIP GROSSE

"For he's a jolly good fellow . . . "

Cadets 2, 3

"Phil" is a rather quiet boy, but one who likes plenty of fun. He gets a laugh out of most everything. We know that boys of Phil's type go places. Smooth going, Phil.

KENNETH HADDAD

"A man of few words is he"

Orchestra 1, 2, 3

"Ken" is not a talkative sort of fellow except when he is in the midst of his friends. As a drummer, he has kept our high school orchestra on the beat. M.H.S. has his loyal support.

HELEN HADFIELD

"Be gone dull care"

Gym 2, 3 Girls' A. A. 2

Helen is a loyal friend. She is often seen at school functions enjoying everything. Sincere, reserved, with a pleasing way, she is on the road to success.

MAE HAJJAR

"Quietly she rises to the top"

Gym 2, 3 Girls' A. A. 2

A soft-spoken young lady with a slow but sure way. H r school spirit, her willingness to help others, and her shy smile are all valued by her classmates. May your life alway be a pleasant one, Mae!

RUTH HALLER

"Blond, and blue eyes, too!"

Basketball 2 Girl Reserves 2
Gym 2, 3, 4 Girls' A. A. 2, 4

Ruth's golden disposition goes nicely with her golden hair. She is cheerful and has a smile for everyone. May you continue being happy and successful.

MARGARET HAMILTON

"Fun and laughter everywhere"

Gym 2, 3, 4 Girls' A. A. 2, 4
Basketball 2 Girl Reserves 2
Glee Club 4

"Peg" is tiny but peppy. Her jokes and quips have added to her popularity. She has a friendly word for everyone. May you always stay the same.

THERESA HANNA

"A sunny disposition is always to be desired"

Gym 2, 3, 4 Girls' A. A. 2, 4
Blue and White 3, 4

"Teasy" is the proud owner of a sunny disposition. She never seems to get ruffled by anything or anyone, and she is always ready to be of some help. May you always remain the same.

VIOLA HAYNES

"Tall and stately"

Girls' A. A. 2 Gym 2, 3

Here is a quiet young lady who's very attached to her studies, and is an asset to our class. Keep up the good work and sueeess will be yours.

VIRGINIA HAYNES

"Twinkling keyes"

Girls' A. A. 2 Gym 2, 3

Ginny, we hear, is a talented piano player. She hasn't much to say, but the class of '44 will never forget her. We hope your life will be as gay as your musie.

GEORGE HEIDENREICH

"Happy as a Lark"

Cadets 2, 3

George is one of our happiest students. Nothing seems to bother him and that is the envy of many of us. He always has a joke at hand and is never seen without a smile.

BELLE HERRICK

"Quiet in manner, but efficient in results"

We have not heard much from Belle these past three years, but she is always among our thoughts. We know you will succeed in whatever line of endeavor you follow, Belle.

ALMEDA HEY

"A friend, tried and true"

Basketball 2, 3 Girls' A. A. 2
Girl Reserves 2, 3 Gym 2, 3

Here is a girl who always wears a smile upon her face. She has a cheery word and a friendly grin for everyone. We wish you luck and much success, Almeda.

HARRIETTE HOLMAN

"Always ready to laugh"

Senior Play – Prompter 4
Girl Reserves 2
Girls' A. A. 2, 4
Bowling 4

Sis' cheery smile has livened many a dull moment. She is ready to help anyway she can and she will undoubtedly find success.

ESTHER HURRELL

"Quiet and charming"

Girl Reserves 2, 3
Girls' A. A. 2, 3
Gym 2, 3

Esther is a quiet, smiling girl. She has gained many friends because of her charming personality. We know you will always remain the same.

FRANCES HYDE

"To be a sport is to be popular"

Cheer Leader 3, 4
Basketball 2, 3, 4
Senior Play
Girls A. A. 2, 4
Various Committees
Student Council 4
Girl Reserves 2, 4
Year Book Staff 4

Frances is a regular all-round girl. She plays a wonderful basketball game and we will never forget her fine spirit as cheerleader. We know you will fare well, so here's to you and success, Fran.

RITA HYDER

"Silence is golden"

Gym 2
Girls' A. A. 2

Rita is one of our quieter students. She is thoughtful, serious, and has proved a loyal member of the class. May you continue being diligent, and you will surely be a success.

SHIRLEY JAGGER

"Smiling through life"

Cheerleader 3, 4
Treasurer 4
Girls' A. A. 2, 4
Various Committees
Year Book Staff 4
Girl Reserves

Shirley is one of our smiing seniors who is liked by every one. We elected her as our treasurer and she did a wonderful job. May you smile your way through life, Shirley.

LOUISE JEAN

"Blue Eyes"

Class Play Committee 4
Basketball 4
Girls Reserves 2, 4
Girls' A. A. 2, 4
Band 3, 4

Louise is the owner of a pair of beautiful blue eyes. She was one of our drum majorettes, and we were mighty proud of her. She has also gained many friends because of her sunny disposition.

HAROLD JOHNSON

"His mind is ever free from care"

Hi-Y 2, 3, 4
Cadets 2, 3

Harold is known to be very quiet in school, but to those who know him, he is quite the Cassanova. You'll go far, Harold.

GENEVIEVE JACOBCHUCK

"Dark Eyes"

Gym 2, 3, 4

Ginnie has a pair of luminous, dark eyes that sparkle when she is happy. She is peppy and full of fun. May happiness be yours.

EDWARD KAMAL

"Happy go lucky"

Cadets 2, 3, 4

Eddie has had a good time in high school and has contributed to many of the happier moments spent within the ivy-covered walls. He has a sparkling smile and a clever witicism for everyone. Here's to success.

MARION KERSHAW

"Petite and peppy"

Senior Play

Marion made the little bit of her go a long way. She did a wonderful job in the Senior Play, and we certainly envy her charming personality.

MONA KILMURRAY

"Let's dance"

Girls Reserves 2, 3 Girls' A. A. 2, 4

Here is a girl who loves to dance. She is always cheerful and peppy, and has a smile for everyone. Lots of luck, Mona.

RAYMOND KOPACZ

"Earnest and diligent -- success is his"

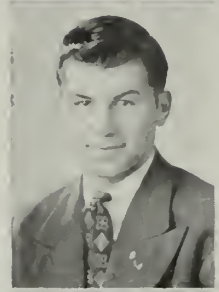
Ray is quiet when in school. He is friendly, and is always willing to lend a helping hand. He takes his studies seriously and we know he will be a success.

LILLIAN KRIKORIAN

"Success is gained by hard work"

Basketball 2, 3 Girls' A. A. 2
Blue and White 4

We will always remember Lillian as our smartest student. She has the will to succeed, and is willing to work hard to reach her goal.



PETER KUZMITZKI

"There's something about a soldier"

Cadets 2, 3, 4 Major 4

Peter was the Major for the Class of '44, and in our estimation he did a good job. We hope you do as good in the future.

ROBERT LA FLAMME

"Flying high"

Cadets 2, 3, 4

Our loss is the Army's gain. Bob has joined the Air Corps and we think he will make a fine flyer. Good luck to you, always.

KENNETH LANDRY

"For he's a jolly good fellow"

Band 2 Orchestra 3
Hi-Y 3, 4

Here's a fellow who looks on life with a cheery grin. He goes his merry way with a nod and a whistle, never letting anything bother him.

WILLIAM LAROCHELLE

"Popularity is power"

Football 3, 4 Band 2, 3, 4
Basketball 2, 3, 4 Senior Play 4
Blue and White Representative Student Council

Well, here he is---the boy for whom almost every girl, at one time or another, has had a spot in her heart. We don't know what it is, his outstanding skill in the fields of basketball, baseball and football, or his sincere manner, which has made him so popular, but he deserves every bit of it. Good luck, Bill.

VIRGINIA LAWTON

"Just an all-round girl"

Basketball 2, 3, 4 Gym 2, 3, 4

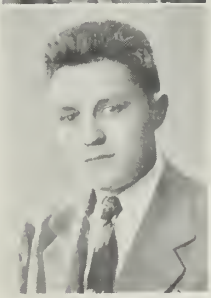
"Ginny", though tiny, is one of the foremost players on the girls' basketball team. She is a happy-go-lucky girl, always ready to laugh. Smooth sailing, Ginny.

BARBARA LEBOWITZ

"Perseverence is its own reward"

Gym 2

Here is a girl with a willingness to help and a winning smile. Barbara can always be called upon to lend a helping hand. Good luck on your trip through life, Barbara.



HERBERT LIPPOLD

"Be gone dull care"

Cadets 2, 3, 4 Various Committees

Wherever something is brewing, Herbie is in the midst of it. He is jolly, and we know he will be a success because of his personality.

SHIRLEY LISTER

"Quiet and sweet, thoughtful and neat"

Gym 2, 4 Girls' Bowling Team 4
Girl Reserves 3

Shirley is one of our quietest girls, and really nice to know. Her neat clothes attract many an eye. We wish you all the luck in the world, Shirley.

MARION LIVERSIDGE

"As pleasant as they come"

Girl Reserves 4 Bowling Team 4

Marion's pleasing smile has won it's way into the hearts of all of us. She is a loyal member of the class and has proved herself a worthy student of M. H. S.

ELLEN LUKAUSKI

"If we could but know"

Gym 2, 3

Ellen is a girl who has kept pretty much to herself dur ing her stay at M. H. S., but to the few who are privileged to know her well, has come the satisfaction of having a real friend. Good luck, Ellen.

MILDRED LUND

"Keep your sunny side up"

Girls Reserves 2, 3, 4 Gym 2, 3

Here's "Millie" with her happy smile and ready laugh. She has an ever-lasting flow of pep and good humor. Always keep your sunny disposition, Millie.

MOIRA MACDONALD

"Full of vim and vigor"

Cheerleader 3, 4 Gym 2, 3, 4
Girl Reserves 2 Bowling Team 4

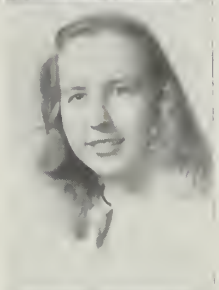
Moira is the peppy blonde who has done such a swell job as cheerleader during the football season. She's never without her sparkling smile. Keep cheering, Moira!

LENA MACIARELLO

"She may seem quiet, but look again"

Gym 2, 3

At school, Lena is studious and quiet, but has a bright side also, as her many friends know. May life bring you happiness, Lena.



PATRICIA MAGUIRE

"A thing of beauty is a joy forever"

Girl Reserves 2, 3, 4 — Gym 4
Band 2, 3 — Secretary of Magazine Drive
Blue and White Staff — Senior Play 4
Year Book Committee — Various Committees

We take pleasure in introducing one of our most popular seniors.There are few in the class who don't know the satisfaction of Pat's friendship and companionship. May your winning ways carry you as far through life as they have through M. H. S.

VERA MARIOLIS

"A light heart lives long"

Orchestra 2, 3 — Girls Reserves 4
Glee Club 4

Here is a girl who would like us to believe she is very serious, but we have reason to believe otherwise. More than once, a class wit has penetrated her veil of severity, and the results were very satisfactory. Keep smiling, Vera, and the world is yours.

VIOLA MARTIN

"Smile and the world smiles with you"

Gym 2 — Girl Reserves 2
Baton Practice 3

There probably isn't a student in our class who has seen Viola when she wasn't smiling. Perhaps this, in addition to her friendliness is what makes her so popular. Good luck, Vi.

RUSSELL MASON

"Handsome is as handsome does"

Football 2, 3, 4 — Cadets 2, 3, 4
Track

We take pleasure in introducing one of our most popular senior boys. His popularity in the field of sports, parallels his popularity with his classmates. Good luck in the marines, Russ.

MARJORIE MATHER

"Always a word for everyone"

Girl Reserves 2 Gym 2, 3

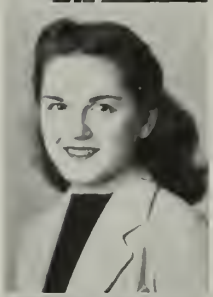
Marjorie is a sweet and obliging girl, always ready to lend a helping hand to everyone. She plans to keep on with her art work. Good luck, Margie!

COSTA MATSES

"Still waters run deep"

Cadets 2, 3, 4 Football 4

Costa's reserved manner has made him the steadying influence, wherever he happens to be. We are sure that your quiet and sure forcefulness will bridge the deepest chasms of life.



DOROTHY MATSES

"Neat and quiet"

Gym 1, 3, 4 Bowling Team 4

Dorothy will succeed in whatever she plans to do because she has a nice personality and is very neat in her appearance. The best of luck, Dot.

JOHN MAC LOUGHLIN

"Smile and the world smiles with you"

Band 2, 3, 4

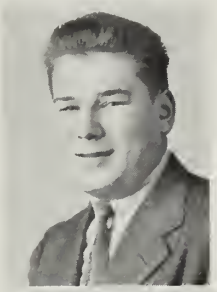
Wherever John is, laughter and fun are. The sunshine of his cheerfulness has brightened up the school lives of almost everyone. May your life be filled with happiness, John.

BILL MESSER

"Mischief lurks in his eyes"

Cadets 2, 3

At a first glance, Bill looks like the quiet type, but he deserves another look. To his many friends he has been loyal and true, and his bright personality will carry him far on the road through life.



JOHN MEY

"Funny like a bunny"

Band 2, 3, 4

Here is a boy who has brought happiness and laughter to his classmates. John's winning ways will carry him through life much farther than the participial and noun phrases he so easily confused. May life be good to you, John.

DORIS MICHAUD

"With never a care in the world"

Here's Doris, one of our happy-go-lucky seniors. She's well-known for her witty remarks, but underneath she's true blue. Here's to you, Doris!

REINE MICHAUD

"Joy have I had"

Cadets 2, 3

Reine has about the most even temperment of anyone in our class. He never seems to lose his ready smile and pleasant disposition. Good luck, Reine; you deserve it.

WINIFRED MILLER

"Merry as the day is long"

Gym 2

Winnie seems to have a special talent for being merry. Her personality and sparkling smile have been an asset to our class. May life be good to you Winnie.

JOSEPH MIRAGLIOTTA

"Ready, willing and able"

Cadets 2, 3, 4

Although Joe has a tendency to be quiet, he, nevertheless, contributes his share to any fun. Joe has always been serious in his studies and has been successful. We wish you good fortune and success, Joe.

PHILIP MOAN

"With a twinkle in his eyes"

Cadets 2, 3

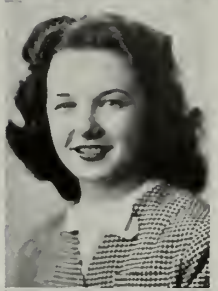
Don't let Phil's quiet manner deceive you; more than one class has been brightened, thanks to his wit. May your friends through life be as true as those you made here.

ANITA MURRAY

"Witty, smiling, gay---here's good luck on your way"

Cheerleader 3, 4 — Gym 2, 3, 4
Girl Reserves 4 — Bowling Team 4

Anita is the vivacious red-head who causes us to turn our heads in the corridors. An active participant in all school affairs, she'll remain in our hearts for a long time. Keep smiling, Anita!



EDNA MUTZENARD

"Happy and gay, she goes on her way"

Gym 2, 3, 4 — Girls' Bowling Team

Dark-haired Edna, always wearing a happy smile, gaily helps out in any school affair at any time. Lots of luck, Edna.

CAROLYN NELSON

"Good luek befriend thee"

Gym 2, 3, 4

Carolyn is another of our rather quiet girls, but you may be sure that she's always ready to lend a helping hand where it is needed. Stay as you are, Carolyn.

VERA OGDEN

"Ever faithful, ever sure"

Girl Reserves 2, 3 — Gym 2

Vera, though quiet, is one of the sweetest girls in our class. Her shy ways won her many friends. Best wishes, Vera.

WINIFRED O'ROURKE

"Happy days are here again"

Girl Reserves 2 Gym 2

We shall always remember Winnie's happy freckled face. Her sunny smile and infectious giggle will carry her far. Happy days, Winnie.

CLAIRE OUELLETTE

"Merrily, merrily, I shall live now"

Gym 3, 4 Bowling Team 4
Basketball 3, 4 Cheerleader 3, 4

Claire is a witty, mischievous girl, who came to us in our Junior year. We're sure glad she came too. We're still wondering what we would have done without her? Good luck, Claire.

RUTH PEGLOW

"Just be natural, you're naturally nice"

Band 3, 4 Gym 2
Girl Reserves 3, 4 Bowling Team 4

Though tiny, Ruthie is one of our most popular girls. She's always going somewhere or doing something. Stay as sweet as you are, Ruthie!

CARMIELA PELLAGRINO

"Silence is golden"

Gym 2

In this girl, quietness and modesty are outstanding. These qualities plus her warm manner have brought her many loyal friends. We wish you all the luck in the world.

ALBERT PERRAULT

"With never a care in the world"

Band 2, 3, 4 Track 2, 4
Year Book Committee 4

Al is a care-free, fun-loving fellow. His straight-faced wit sends his countless friends into gales of laughter. Whatever he does, he'll be happy. Keep it up, Al!

SUSAN PETTERUTI

"Good-natured, pleasant, and willing"

Gym 2, 3, 4 — Girls' Bowling Team
Various Committees

"Susie" is the girl who has that "can I help you" look always in her eyes. Your happiness is your success, Susie.

CLAIRE MARIE PETZOLD

"The proud possessor of a dimpled smile"

Girls' A. A. 2

If you are not won over by Claire's other fine qualities, beware of her dimpled smile for it is certain to captivate your heart. Her pleasing personality has won her many friends. Always show these dimples, Claire.

BARBARA EVELYN PICKLES

"There's only one you"

Band 1, 2, 3, 4 — Girl Reserves 2, 3; Vice President 4
Basketball 3, 4 — Student Council 2
Senior Play 4 — Various Committees

"Babs" disposition is as sunny as the color of her hair. She gave a fine performanee in the senior play. An outstanding member of the band, we know she will be successful in whatever she undertakes.

JACQUELYNE MARY POLLARD

"How sweet you are"

Girl Reserves 2, 3; President 4 — Senior Play Committee
Basketball 2, 3 — Various Committees
Girls' A. A. 2

One of the sweetest girls in our class, "Jackie" will always be remembered for her inimitable charm. Active in school affairs she was also president of the Girl Reserves| The best of everything to you, Jackie.

MARIETTA ANNE POLIZZOTTI

"Success shall be attained by her"

Marietta seems quiet and reserved but underneath she's full of fun. The kind of girl everyody likes, she's certain to gain her ambition in this world. Lots of luck, Marietta.

MARY PSAROS

"Silence is golden"

Girls' A. A. 2

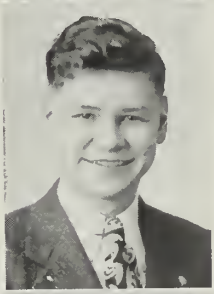
Quiet, reserved, and easy-going are words that aptly describe Mary. Her many friends tell us that a better pal cannot be found. Best wishes for success, Mary.

LOIS JANE RIEDEL

"She walks in beauty"

Girl Reserves 2, 3, 4 — Senior Play 4
Girls' A. A. 2 — Various Committees

Lois is pert, poised, and promising. One of our best-dressed girls, she never fails to catch our eye in the corridors. May you always be as successful, Lois.



RAYMOND RISCHER

"For he's a jolly good fellow - - - "

Cadets 2, 3

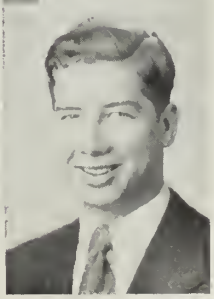
Ray may seem the quiet type, but whenever there is any fun to be had, you can be sure he is getting his share. We hear he takes quite an interest in horses, too. Here's looking forward to a bright future, Ray.

NORMA JANE ROBINSON

"A companion that is cheerful is worth gold"

Girls' A. A. 2 — Girl Reserves 3, 4
Bowling League 4 — Junior Ring Committee
Blue and White Staff 4

Norma is a very sociable girl and has won many friends by her pleasant disposition. She is always ready, willing, and able to take part in any class activity. May your future be a happy one, Norma.



DONALD JOHN ROSE

"Made up of wisdom and of fun"

Footall 2, 3, 4 — Track 4
Cadets 2, 3, 4 — Picture Committee 4

To some people "Don" appears to be quiet but he really is a fun-loving individual. With a smile that rates A-1 with everybody, Don will never be forgotten.

MARY SABA

"A girl of few words is she"

Girls' A. A.

Mary is one of our quiet girls with a shy nature. Raven-haired, with laughing dark eyes, she will never be without friends. The best of luck to you, Mary.

BERTHA SARKISIAN

"As merry as the day is long"

Girls' A. A. 2

Bertha is one of those girls who always has a smile for everyone. Gay, light-hearted, and just a bit mischievous, she is well-liked by all.

FELICIA MARGARET SHOLIK

"When she smiles she smiles all over"

Girls' A. A. 2 Blue and White Staff 4
Bowling League 4

Felicia is always busy, either talking or working. For any circumstance she has a remark or two to make. Her shining countenance appeared at almost all social events. Good luck, Felicia.

BESSIE MAE SHORT

"You'll find a rainbow"

Girls' A. A. 2 Bowling League 4

Bessie is a fun-loving girl who has won many friends because of her sociable nature. Her lovely hair is the envy of all the girls. We wish you success in your future life, Bessie.

BARBARA ANN SMITH

"Chippy as a sparrow"

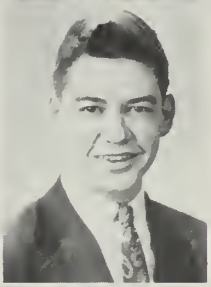
Girls' A. A. 2

Barbara is very talkative and quick-witted. She has an answer for everything and she doesn't let things disturb her. She gives life to dull surroundings. We hope nothing ever changes you, Barbara.

CATHERINE SMITH

"Your laugh shall fill the world with joy"

Kay is well known for her sweet smile and sunny disposition. She is one of the few people who have a lovely face to match their disposition. We know you have a great chance for success, Kay.

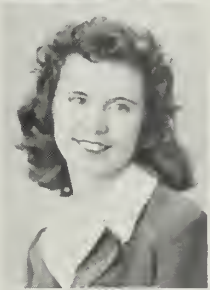


DONALD JOSEPH SMITH

"I love life and I want to live

Football 2, 3, 4 — Vice President 4
Track 3, 4 — Senior Play 4
Basketball 2, 3, 4 — Band 1

Everyone is Don's friend. He took a big part in social and athletic activities. His fine performance in the class play will always be remembered. The best of luck to you, Don.



THURLEY EILEEN SMITH

"Make Haste Slowly"

Girl Reserves 2, 3, 4 — Basketball 3

Thurley is never in a hurry, although she is never late. She takes everything as it comes. As anyone knows, Thurley has a delightful personality. Here's hoping nothing ever bothers you, Thurley.

BEATRICE SOUSA

"Who wouldn't love you?"

Girls' A. A. 2

Beatrice is one of the smallest bundles of charm that we have the pleasure of having in our class. With an infectious smile and a peppy personality we are sure that the world will be just as proud of her as we are. Here's to happiness, Bea.

CLAIRE MILDRED STARKE

"Practices zealously pursued become habits"

Orchestra 2, 3 — Glee Club 4

Claire can really play the piano. We first saw her playing in the ninth grade. Hard work and disappointments don't stop her. However, she is always bright and cheery. We could do with more people like you, Claire.

ARLENE STEELE

"Ever faithful ever sure"

Year Book Committee 4

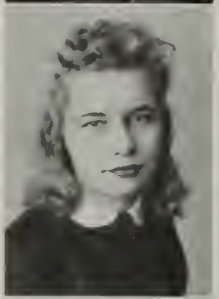
Arlene's good marks and efficient manner have been the envy of many. She has an interest in everything and her willingness to help and her dependability have made her a welcome member in the class of '44.

CLAIRE DOROTHY SULLIVAN

"She was a phantom of delight"

Girls' A. A. 2 Glee Club 4

Claire is our idea as a perfect stand-in for actress Gene Tierney. We have not learned her ambition yet, but we are sure she has what it takes to succeed.



SHIRLEY FAE SYKES

"Nice things come in small packages"

Girl Reserves 2, 3, 4 Girls' A. A. 2

Petite, blond and amiable, Shirley has stolen her way into many a heart. An interesting companion, she's a girl worth knowing. Here's to a bright future, Shirley.

MARGARET GARLAND TANGUAY

"We live in deeds, not years"

Girls' A. A. 2

Modesty, efficiency, and sincerity make up Margaret's character. She's serious when the occasion demands but likes her share of fun too. May you succeed in whatever you undertake.

BARBARA ARLENE TAYLOR

"Love me little, love me long"

Girls' A. A. 2

"Babs" is a blond, care-free girl who enjoys a good laugh. Her contagious spirit of friendliness makes her a wonderful person to know. With such a personality, she cannot help succeeding.

RUTH EDNA TWAITES

"The girl with the golden voice"

Girls' A. A. 2 Girl Reserves 2, 4

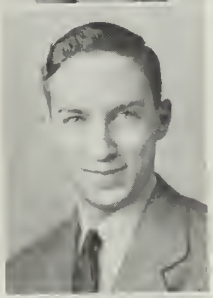
Ruth has the rare gift of a lovely voice. Her singing is admired by all of us. With a sparkling personality that is unsurpassed, she has attracted countless friends. The best of luck to you, Ruth.

ARLENE MARY TOPPING

"Blessed with beauty"

Girls' A. A. Girl Reserves 3, 4

Arlene is one of the tall, dark beauties of our class. Although quiet in class, we hear she's quite active out of school. Her sweet manner is responsible for her popularity. Lots of luck for future success. Arlene.



KENNETH THOMAS TRIPP

"A boy that does a man's job"

Cadets 2, 3, 4

Kenny seems to lean towards military science. he is an outstanding member of the cadets and the State Guard. We hear you are entering the service soon so here's wishing you the best of luck, Ken.

DIANE SHIRLEY VELDEMAN

"Judge me not be my size"

Girls' A. A. 2 Girl Reserves 1

Although Diane is one of the smallest girls in our class she has just as big a heart as anybody. She is always ready to lend a helping hand and we can depend on her at all times. Because she is serious-minded, we know she will be a success.

ETHEL GERTRUDE WADLIN

"Youth is full of pleasures"

Punchard's loss was Methuen's gain when Ethel left there to come to our high school. Although she joined us in her Senior year, we have found her to be a loyal friend and a true sport.

BARBARA MAE WADSWORTH

"Just an all-round girl"

Girls' A. A. 2 Basketball 2, 3, 4

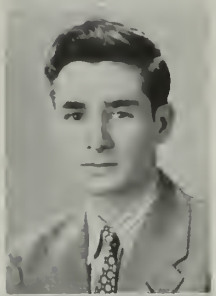
Wherever there are class activities going on you can be sure to find "Babs" there. One of her outstanding characteristics is her zest for life. She will always be remembered for her true sportmanship.

DORIS MILDRED WALKER

"Sincere and modest, success is for her"

Girls' A. A. 2

Although Doris is quiet in class, you can be sure of having lots of fun with her outside of school. We hear that she is going to Burdett's so here's wishing you success in your business career, Doris.



JOHN FRANCIS WARD

"The boy with great ambitions"

Cadets 2, 3

John always has a magazine or camera along with him. I wish you could see some of the pictures he has. He now wears the Army Air Corps pin. In your quiet way you're a sure bet.

EDWIN WATTS

"Mirth is my companion"

Although Eddie had a mischievous streak in him, he was liked by everyone. He was always the first one out of the study hall when the bell rang. He left us to join the Navy. With Eddie in the service our enemies haven't a chance. Lots of luck, Eddie.

ELAINE CLAIRE WHEELER

"Elaine the fair, Elaine, the lovable - - - -"

Girls' A. A. 2

When Sir Walter Scott wrote those memorable words he must have had our own Elaine in mind. With a charm that is completely captivating, she will always be remembered by all of us. Although we all wish you happiness in future years, one wish carries with it deep affection. Three guesses whom that wish is from, Elaine.

DOROTHY RETA WHIGHAM

"Demure of manner - - - "

Girls' A. A. 2

"Dot" seems to be rather a shy, quiet per on, but when you get to know her, you find in her the qualities of a true friend. Her friendliness has made her well-liked by all her classmates. Never change, Dot.

BARBARA MAE WHITTEN

"Thou hast a charm to stay the morning star"

Girls 'A. A.

Barbara has a ready smile and a delightful disposition which have been the main reasons for her popularity. We hope you make just as big a hit in life as you have with us, Barbara.

DONALD MILTON WINNER

"Still waters run deep"

Cadets 2, 3

The boys called him Milton in English class. He is the cause of many exuberant moments. At the first glance you are sure he is too quiet but don't let him fool you. Keep 'em smiling, Don.

WEBSTER IRVING WOODWORTH

"By courage and faith"

Cadets 2, 3

"Webby" likes to tinker with any kind of machinery. The boys all knew his car troubles, but Webby smiles through all difficulties. Keep up the good work, Webby.

JOHN APKARIAN

"A great guy"

Football 2, 3, 4 Cadets 2, 3

John is as happy as the day is long. In his senior year as captain, he led the football team on to brilliant victory. His smiling, open-hearted manner has won him many friends. We wish you all the success in the world, John.

EMILY FERRIS

"Whatever the day you'll find her the same way"

Emily is sweet and always cheerful. Her pleasing way should help her achieve success. We all missed her during her illness and wish her all the luck in the world.

Statistics

Student who has done most for the school	Georgia Brown
Prettiest Girl (Queen)	Arlene Frye
Handsomest Boy (King)	Lewis DeLucia
Most Popular Girl	Georgia Brown
Most Popular Boy	William Atkinson
Most Sociable Girl	Georgia Brown
Most Sociable Boy	William Atkinson
Most Athletic Girl	Frances Barker
Most Athletic Boy	Raymond Cormier
Neatest Girl	Shirley Lister
Neatest Boy	John Deacy
Girl Most Likely to Succeed	Lillian Krikorian
Boy Most Likely to Succeed	John Deacy
Best All-Around Girl	Georgia Brown
Best All-Around Boy	John Apkarian
Best Dressed Girl	Shirley Lister
Class Sheik	Ronald Diodati
Class Baby Girl	Vivian Gagnon
Class Baby Boy	James Crabtree
Class Blonde	Shirley Sykes
Class Redhead	Marylou Coulombe
Class Cutie	Virginia Lawton
Class Flirt	Claire Ouelette
Class Gigolo	Ronald Diodati
Class Angel	Winifred O'Rourke
Class Brute	John Mey

Class Musician	Albert Perrault
Class Einstein	John Deacy
Class Ginger Rogers (Dancer)	Mona Kilmurray
Class Fred Astaire (Dancer)	William Bahan
Mexican Athlete (Bull Thrower)	Albert Perrault
Class Woman Hater	Charles Bamford
Class Man Hater	Doris Walker
Class Giggler	Jacqueline Pollard
Class Shark	Ronald Diodati
Class Dude	Ronald Diodati
Class Peppiest	Francis Hyde
Class Busiest	Shirley Jagger
Noisiest Girl	Audrey Gorham
Noisiest Boy	William Larochelle
Quietest Girl	Hazel Byrne
Quietest Boy	Donald Rose
Hardest to Rattle	Francis Furman
Master of Sarcasm	Francis Hyde
Faculty Pet	Georgia Brown
Mutt and Jeff	Cole and Larochelle
Class Jester	Albert Perrault
Most Courteous	Francis Furman
Perfect Lover	William Atkinson
Best Liked Teacher	Mr. Bagnell
Class Loud Speaker	John Garry
Most Optimistic	James Crabtree
Class Actress	Patricia Maguire
Class Sleepiest	Ralph Corless
Most Talkative	Audrey Gorham
Class Walking Dictionary	Ernest Carpenito

Graduation Arrangements

1944

GRADUATION HONORS

Valedictorian	Lillian Krikorian
Salutatorian	Grace Akmakjian

CLASS DAY

Ivy Oration	Theresa Hanna
Class History	Patricia Maguire
Class Poem	Ruth Peglow
Class Song	Words, Joy Edson Music, Ann DiLavore
Class Prophecy	Frances Barker Francis Furman
Class Will	Shirley Jagger John Deacy, Jr.
President's Address	William Atkinson, Jr..

Class History

BEFORE you is the class of 1944.

Like every other class in the history of Searles High School, we realize that our care-free high school days are quickly drawing to an end. I wonder what my classmates are thinking about. They look so solemn, sitting there; they must have very serious thoughts, as I'm sure mine are. Maybe they are remembering that day in September, 1941, when for the first time we trudged up the hill to the High School, not realizing what awaited us. At first the corridors and rooms were like a giant honeycomb. We had our schedules in front of us, but why, oh, why weren't there directions as to how to find those elusive rooms? We spent the first week suffering under the patronizing looks of those powerful beings, Juniors and Seniors. Before long, however, we became finally adjusted to all the ins and outs of high school life, and found the problem of selecting Sophomore officers confronting us. We elected Francis Furman, president; Robert Culley, vice-president; Barbara Nichols, secretary; and Edward Settle, treasurer. We chose Barbara Pickles and William Larochelle to serve us on the Student Council.

A few weeks later, we were officially welcomed by the Seniors at the annual Sophomore Reception. A group of senior boys provided hilarious entertainment by presenting their version of "Clementine." After the Grand March every Sophomore girl was given a flower, and we all enjoyed dancing to the music of a popular orchestra.

Our thoughts now turn to the morning of December 8, 1941, a morning we shall never forget. How many of our lives were decided on that fateful day! We listened to the President's voice on the radio, but, as Sophomores, we could not extract the full meaning from all the confusion. How little we realized the effect that day would have upon the rest of our lives!

Despite the serious talk of war, we held our Sophomore Party in January. It was a well attended affair, and we all enjoyed the party immensely.

The passing of the months brought into our midst a sad happening. Although we had been in contact with her for only a short while, Miss Lord's death caused us true sorrow. We shall always remember her quiet and sure guidance.

So passed our Sophomore year; and after a short summer vacation, we found ourselves Juniors. We assembled to elect Junior officers, and Raymond Cormier was elected president; Edward Settle, vice-president; Georgia Brown, Secretary; and Russell Mason, treasurer.

Next came the momentous question of class rings. We voted on many models, but the majority of the class wished the "Melody" ring. Its delicate simplicity stood out against the more elaborate models. Now we are all wearing this plain gold ring, with Searles tower incrested on its high setting.

Our Junior Party was the next event. It was a great success, and was enjoyed by all.

Then came something that many United States History students had been striving for since the beginning of the year— the presentation of the Washington and Franklin History Award by the Mass. Society, Sons of the American Revolution. Because of the conservation of metal, a medal could not be awarded, but a certificate of equal value was given to Lillian Krikorian for her excellence in United States History. History books were presented to Theresa Hanna, Frances Barker, Almeda Hey, Grace Akmajian, Claire Starke and Kenneth Tripp for their outstanding work in the subject.

During that spring, a Home Nursing course was begun by Mrs. Skillings. Many Junior girls gave up two hours of their time every Wednesday for fifteen weeks, and we emerged from this ordeal much the wiser, besides holding Red Cross certificates and wearing Red Cross pins.

After these fifteen weeks, there was not much time until summer vacation. Then in September we returned as lordly Seniors. Where had the time gone? It seemed but yesterday that we had entered these portals of learning, timid children with the future all unknown— and now our last high school year had begun. We were at last "upper classmen," feared and respected by the Sophomores and Juniors. By this time, our class had become much smaller, and many familiar faces were missing. A great number of our boys had answered the call to service, and were now fighting so that things like Class Day and Graduation might always take place.

Early in the year we elected the Senior Class officers. William Atkinson, who had joined the class in our junior year, was chosen president; Donald Smith, vice-president; Georgia Brown, Secretary; and Shirley Jaggar, treasurer.

Although the lack of Senior boys was so evident, we planned to officially welcome the new Sophomores, bewildered as we had been, at the Sophomore Reception. It was a great success, and after the Grand March, led by Senior and Sophomore officers, general dancing was enjoyed.

After this affair, we buckled down in earnest to our duties as Seniors, realizing that we must make this school year the biggest and best since we entered high school. The *Blue and White* Staff was chosen, rehearsals for the Senior Play were begun, and committees for coming events were formed.

In the midst of all this activity, we held our Senior Party in December. It was in the form of a Campus Party, and everyone was dressed in sport clothes. Shirley Jaggar was chosen "Campus Queen" and was presented with a lovely silver bracelet.

Finally in January came the event we had been working for since November— the Senior Play. We presented the farce, "A Special Delivery" with Frances Hyde and Donald Smith in the leading roles. It was very capably directed by Miss Alice Littlejohn, and the high school band, under Harold McDonnell's leadership, furnished music between acts. The audience was nearly sent into hysterics by the hilarious situations so well presented, and everyone agreed that it was the best Senior Play of all time.

After the play, we started on our Magazine Drive, which was held to defray the expenses of our Year Book. The people of the town cooperated, and the drive proved very successful. Needless to say, Mr. Elwell's room brought in the most subscriptions, and won all the prizes.

The next big event was the 38th annual Military Ball. The hall was beautifully decorated by the art department, under Mr. Melia's direction. The drill competition was won by Companies B and C, under the direction of Sgt. George Harris. The Grand March, led by Major Peter Kuzmitski and Sadie Simone, was a beautiful sight, and soon afterwards the hall was filled with gaiety and laughter, as couples danced to the strains of Tony Brown and his orchestra.

Now came the time to choose a Senior girl to represent Searles High School as "Good Citizenship Pilgrim" at the Daughters of the American Revolution convention held in Boston. We elected Georgia Brown to this honor, in view of her outstanding record in patriotism, dependability, loyalty, and leadership.

Our Senior Prom is yet to be held, but we feel sure that it will be a successful climax to our high school days. The hall is to be beautifully decorated, refreshments will be served, and dancing will be enjoyed to the music of Tony Brown and his orchestra.

And so have passed our high school days.

My classmates are still sitting there quietly, still thinking. We have reviewed the past: they must now be thinking of the future. Rightly so, for after all, we *are* the future. We go forth now, realizing that this great world struggle will some day be over, and we must use the wisdom and courage we have gained here, so that we may help to mold a new world.

—*Patricia Maguire*

Class Prophecy

Francis: Hello, Frances! Are you visiting the old familiar spots, too?

Frances: Why hello, Fran! So you couldn't resist the temptation to explore the town either? I've just been to some of the places that we knew so well and they certainly brought back memories.

Francis: Methuen has seen a number of changes in the past ten years, and I understand many of our former classmates are responsible for them. Last night at the class reunion I met some of my old friends I haven't seen since we left M.H.S.

Frances: That was a night I won't forget in a hurry. From the stories I heard I would say that we had an unusually successful class.

Francis: Why don't we finish the tour of the town in my autogyro? It's over in that new parking lot. I just bought it this morning from Bud Corless, proprietor of the new motor mart on the boulevard. He specializes in gyros, and his agents, Philip Grosse and Ed Watts, had about a dozen customers lined up this morning. Hazel Byrne, the school dentist, was testing a sleek-looking model.

Frances: Oh, he tried to sell me one last night until his secretaries, Arlene Fry and Edna Chambers, reminded him not to mix business with pleasure.

Francis: Well, this is the auto. This parking lot must be one of the projects that Harry Cody, the civil engineer for the town, has recently completed. He also built the modern highway that skirts the town. All of the equipment he used was built in John Cunha's plant.

Frances: John Mey and Donald Smith are his electrical experts, and Grace Akmakjian, Avis Berry and Doris Walker work in one of the experimental labs.

Francis: Did you know that part of the entertainment at the reunion was broadcast over station WAEA, owned and operated by Alan Arnfield? Phyllis Feather, Moira Macdonald and Winifred O'Rourke are a few of the announcers, and Barb Pickles has become a well-known news analyst on account of her nightly broadcasts.

Frances: Ruth Thwaites may be heard as the guest singer on the musical programs, and Angelina DiLavore accompanies her at the piano. If you like cowboy songs, you should hear Dorothy Boisvert give her special renditions. She is known to her "radio audience as 'pistol packing Dot'."

Francis: How do you like crooner Jimmy Crabtree? He has made a number of vocal recordings with Wimpy Larochelle's sensational swing band furnishing the music. If you prefer military music, the navy band at Washington, D.C., gives a concert every Saturday with John McLoughlin conducting.

Frances: Georgia Brown portrays the heroine in one of the afternoon sob stories. It is called "The Trials of Gwendolyn," and it is sponsored by Barbara Donahue, who operates an exclusive shop for smart women. Dot Wigham, Helen Hadfield, and Edna Mutzenard are responsible for the hat creations and Shirley Lister, Elaine Wheeler and Claire Ouellette are the clothes designers. They have created many new styles which have appeared in some of the top fashion magazines. Lois Riedel and Claire Sullivan are employed as models.

Francis: Getting back to station WAEA, do you listen to Jack English's Sports review? Last night at the reunion he interviewed a couple of the fellows that were prominent in high school athletics. Harvy Boisjoly is the present manager of the "Methuen Clippers," Methuen's big league team. It looks as if they might get a chance at the series, with Costa Matses doing most of the pitching. Ed Kamal and Joe Miragliotta are playing 3rd base and left field respectively.

Frances: Ray Cormier is still boasting about that undefeated football team he coached for the University of Methuen two years ago. I'm sorry I missed seeing Bill Atkinson's basketball quintet in action. From the way he described it last it sounded like something to brag about. Ginny Lawton is the instructor of Physical Education for women at Methuen University and Louise Jean, Dorothy Matses, and Felicia Sholik are her assistants.

Francis: Didn't you coach the women's basketball team this past season? I heard that you had advanced to the finals in the National Tournament. How did you come out?

Frances: We beat the "Los Angeles Jewels," coached by Audrey Gorham. It was a hard game and both teams played very well.

Francis: Over there on your left are the University buildings. Tom Caruso and Philip Moan were the architects, while Joy Edson, Barbara Taylor and Margaret Hamilton planned the landscape. These beautiful gardens are under the supervision of Esther Hurell, Dot Dietzel, and Mary Saba. Les Barden is the instructor in horseback riding and Claire Derby, Barbara Whitten and Evelyn Chapman are his assistants.

Frances: The university has been lucky in having Barbara Feugill as coach of the tennis team. Just recently she captured first prize in a tournament for women. Other members of the faculty are Ruth DeCauwer and

Marion Liversidge, who teach higher mathematics. Harriette Holman is the head of the history department and Mae Hajjar is her assistant.

Francis: Charles Bamford, the physics professor may receive the Smith Award, put up by Catherine Smith, for his brilliant research work on the atom. He is a very modest fellow and gives the credit to his co-workers, Professors Shirley Jagger, Arlene Topping, and Margaret Tanguay.

Frances: Some of the professors of English are Susie Petteruti, Theresa Crochetiere, Barbara Lebowitz, and Shirley Sykes. The foreign languages are handled by Marion Kershaw, Eleanor Bodwell, Claire Petzold, and Barbara Smith.

Francis: That large, impressive building we just passed is the auditorium where Lillian Krikorian's latest play is to be presented.

Frances: Bessie Short is directing the production and Arlene Steele, one of the top-ranking critics in the literary field, has proclaimed it a dramatic masterpiece. The leading role is being taken by Pat Maguire, the stage, screen, and radio star. George Heidenreich, who is noted for his villian roles, is the leading man. Robert Bamford plays the part of Oswald, the first man to fly from Earth to Mars and back. The plane is his own make, "The Flying Tale."

Francis: Reine Michaud, Ruth Peglow, Marietta Polizzotti, Viola Martin, Helen Barmby and Raymond Kopacz are also in the cast. I tried to get tickets for the opening night, but they have been sold out for weeks.

Frances: I had better luck than you. As soon as Marguerite Dolan, the publicity agent, heard about my predicament, she found a special pass for me. Everybody was talking about the stage scenery, which was painted by Vera Mariolis and Marjorie Mather. Art critics have pronounced it the best in the country.

Francis: I notice you have a couple of books with you. Are they new publications?

Frances: Yes, one is a collection of poems by Anthony Carpenito. The other is that current horror book "The People I Went to School With," by Marylou Coulombe. Everybody who has read it has had to visit psychiatrist Ruth Bassett for treatments.

Francis: Let's drop in and have one of Malcolm Douglas' own "Miracle Whips." They're original and supposed to put an end to thirst. Mal's new place, called "The Easy Lunch," because you are served in your vehicle, was designed by the Haynes twins. They've just completed their course at Colpitts'. That's where Elizabeth Colpitts made history in modern design.

Well, what will you have?

Frances: I think I'll try one of Mal's specials. Look who the waitresses are— Agnes Arzoonian, Carolyn Bateman, Mildred Lund, and Agnes Ganem. I wonder what lured them here.

Francis: Probably those two attractive chefs, Kenneth Landry and Frank Cole.

Frances: Isn't that Bob Laflamme with Anita Murray over there by that other plane? They were always together in high school. Do you know what success Bob has had?

Francis: Bill Messer, Bob's junior partner, told me last night that Bob has just opened up a new law office. Anita is his secretary. He just got Albert Perrault out of another jam. It seems that he got into an accident and policeman Don Rose was at the scene and was questioning Al. Al was semi-conscious and started in his sales talk for Michaud and Wadlin's, that new mail order house. Rose thought he was swearing at him, so he wanted the judge to fine Mr. Perrault $500.

Frances: Let's continue our journey. Look down there, Fran; that looks like a group of men marching. Let me have your glasses. That looks like General Kuzmitski, Brig. General Lippold, and Colonel Diodati. They have just come back from Washington where President Mary Elward decorated them for bravery.

Francis: That reminds me, Professors Haller and Hanna have just finished experimenting on glass hulls for the navy. Admiral Cedergren says it gives the Wave a chance to see the torpedo coming and get out of the way.

Frances: In this morning's "Planet," Editor-in-chief Miller said that Madelyn Eichorn has announced her discovery of vitamin N, supposed to give you ten more years of life. Jack Garry takes delight in his work as sports reporter because he gets into all athletic affairs free. In his item today he talked about Rita Hyder's champion tiddledy-winks team.

Francis: Senator Hyde from Methuen has just been criticized for filibustering in order to pass Representative Psaros' bill.

Frances: There's the airport. Did you know that John Ward is the boss down there? Chief mechanics are Josephine Faro, Pris Faul, and Eileen Ford. Harold Johnson and Eileen Bunting are instructors there. Bob Culley was coming in for a landing last evening and cracked up. He blamed Joyce Dyer. She must have given him the all-clear on the wrong runway.

Francis: I dropped into Hey's insurance office and was greeted by Isabel Garabedian, Alice Chute, and Ellen Lukauski, secretaries. Mona Kilmurray is personnel manager.

Frances: Have you seen "Nicer and Nicer," starring William Bahan and Henrietta Busta? Producer Espinola predicts that it will be the new Narrowway success.

Francis: My! that must be the new State House. Governor Pollard has just been elected to her 6th term. Beatrice Sousa and Barbara Wadsworth are her campaign directors. It must be the feminine personality that gets the vote. They say that Archie Apkarian did a marvelous job on the paintings— all free hand.

Frances: Yesterday I received a card from Vera Ogden, and she told me to come over to visit her and the new hospital donated to Methuen by Ray Rischer, the world renowned archeologist. Let's drop down to the hospital. I understand that you, Fran, are on the staff of a well-known clinic in California.

Francis: There's a list of doctors. Dr. Freeman, Dr. Deacy, and Dr. Thurley Smith are on duty, and Dr. Gill, specialist on the eyes, is off today.

Frances: Here's a list of patients. Ha! Ha! Simone Dussault has just been admitted with a broken nose. Apparently she was not so successful as she used to be in expressing her resentment against her other half.

Francis: Carolyn Nelson and Norma Robinson have realized their school ambitions. Dr. Diane Veldeman, the head physician, must have some time with these two medical secretaries.

Frances: Vera is listed as being in a ward. What time have you, Fran?

Francis: 13:05.

Frances: Visiting hours are from 15:00 o'clock to 16:00 o'clock. We had better leave these flowers from Tripp's Flower Shoppe on the desk. Ken does quite a thriving business.

Francis: Where to next?

Frances: I'm going to drop over to my hotel and have my lunch.

Francis: I'm famished, too. I should certainly appreciate a hearty turkey dinner right now.

Frances: Why don't you have lunch with me? The food is delicious at the hotel, and I would enjoy your company.

Francis: Who's the new manager? There's a sign that says, "Under New Management."

Frances: Genevieve Jacobchuk, who always had quite an eye for business, was the proprietor; but she married Don Winner, who does all the printing for the floating sign boards. Louis DeLucia has taken over, and he is doing fine.

Francis: This food is good! Who does the cooking?

Frances: Carmela Pellegrino. She is really clever at cooking.

Francis: No wonder you like eating here; I see Claire Starke, Vivian Gagnon, and Bertha Sarkasian are the waitresses.

Frances: Ken Haddad runs the station gyro and does he look impressive in his chauffeur's uniform!

Francis: Well, thank you very much, Miss Barker, for giving me the pleasure of having this tasty little bite with you. I'm sure it took on added flavor because of your presence.

Frances: I enjoyed it too, Mr. Furman.

Francis: So long!

Frances: So long!

Frances Barker

Francis Furman

Ivy Oration

NEARLY forty years have passed since a memorable day in June, 1905, when the first ivy was planted on these beautiful grounds— a living memento of high school life, thereby setting a precedent for thirty-nine successive classes.

Between the classes of 1905 and 1944, there are many vivid contrasts. The class of 1905 looked forward to the future with perfect security. Business prosperity was at its height, and no war clouds were hovering over the land. In Washington, President Theodore Roosevelt was speaking warningly of laws which must be instituted to curb the alarming growth of monopolies. The Monroe Doctrine was again coming into prominence as a statement of our foreign policy toward Latin American Nations.

Today the world picture is vastly different. The boys in our class have had their plans entirely disrupted. Most of them will inevitably see service in the armed forces before the year closes. Many of the girls will be employed by the government, or training in the Cadet Nursing Corps.

Today the Monroe Doctrine has a different meaning— the "Good Neighbor Policy;" in Washington, President Franklin D. Roosevelt is speaking encouragingly of international coöperation to create better economic conditions after the war.

So as we plant the ivy of the class of '44, let us realize the difficult road over which we must journey. Our path is beset with tremendous obstacles. Our plans for the future, no matter how definite, are subject to change, depending on world conditions. We must face a world still in the throes of war, the effects easily visible in the scenes around us.

Therefore, as we plant this ivy today, may it be a tribute to those classmates, Who took the khaki and the gun, instead of cap and gown." This ivy, as it continues to grow and flourish throughout the years, will be symbolic of the unconquerable spirit of the class of '44. Just as we must struggle against powerful forces in order to gain success in life, so must the ivy reach up and grasp a firm foothold in order to emerge triumphant.

May each one of us, remembering the tenacious ivy, do his utmost to abide by our motto, even during this stress of war-time. More than ever will our class need to remember those hopeful Latin words, "*Labor Omnia Vincit.*"— "Labor conquers all things."

—*Therese Hanna*

Social Events

SOPHOMORE RECEPTION— October 22, the Sophomores were welcomed by the seniors, at their first high school party, the Sophomore Reception. The grand march was led by William Atkinson, president of the senior class, and Alice Hambleton, secretary of the sophomore class. Following the grand march, Alice was presented with a beautiful bouquet of carnations.

SENIOR PLAY— Our Senior Play, "Special Delivery," was presented in Central School Hall, January 14th. A wonderful performance, and a large audience helped to make this a memorable affair. Who will ever forget the scene where the letter kept changing hands!

SENIOR PARTY— A "Campus Festival" with everyone wearing his nicest sport clothes was the setting for our annual senior party. The highlight of the evening was the selection of Shirley Jagger as "campus queen." She was presented with a lovely silver bracelet.

JUNIOR PARTY— Some of us seniors loyally attended the Junior Party on January 28th. None will forget the entertainment furnished by ten boys from the junior class.

SOPHOMORE PARTY— On April 14th the sophomores held their party. As this was the soph's first party of their own, they furnished the entertainment for the evening. Everyone who attended had a good time.

MILITARY BALL— The outstanding event of our year, the Military Ball, was held on March 17th. It was a beautiful and colorful sight, with the cadets in their uniforms, and the girls in their lovely gowns. Several servicemen, home on leave, attended this party. The Central Hall was decorated the most unusual and attractive, within our memory.

SENIOR PROM— The Senior Prom, the last dance for the graduating class, was held June 9th, with the music provided by Tony Brown's orchestra. As this was our last social event, a feeling of "au revoir" was felt throughout the evening. How we shall miss these parties!

— AUTOGRAPHS —

ACTIVITIES . . .

Standing: H. Zenker, G. Akmakjian, M. Coulombe, T. Hanna, F. Sholik, N. Robinson, M. Jones, L. Krikorian, M. Eichorn, E. Hermanns.

Seated: L. Kettleman, D. Lee, G. Brown, J. Bagnell, P. Maguire, F. Barker.

The Blue and White

THE school magazine, *The Blue and White*, had a very prosperous year under the capable direction of editor Lillian Krikorian. Each issue, filled with topics of interest to every student, was eagerly looked forward to by all. We feel we should take this opportunity to thank our faculty adviser, Mr. Bagnell, to whom we owe deep appreciation for the assistance he has given the staff during this past year.

Standing: M. Kershaw, W. Larochelle, R. Bamford, J. Garry, W. Atkinson, D. Smith, P. Maguire.

Seated: L. Riedel, F. Hyde, Coach Alice Littlejohn, B. Pickles.

Senior Class Play

THE Class Play, "Special Delivery," was successfully presented by the class of 1944. The cast was coached by Miss Littlejohn and the performance delighted a most appreciative audience. The players: Polly Rambeau, a stenographer, Frances Hyde; Monte Bryan, a young attorney, Donald Smith; Peggy James, Polly's friend, Marion Kershaw; Ervel Stone, Monte's friend, William Larochelle; Ruby Gershwin, a debutante, Lois Riedel; Angie, Patricia Maguire; Mike, John Garry; Mrs. John Jacob Jasper, married 3 times, Barbara Pickles; John, the electrician, Robert Bamford; Waiter, William Atkinson.

Cadet Corps

THE Cadet Corps completed a very successful and above average year under the guidance of Major Peter Kuzmitski, even though handicapped by the loss of several of the senior officers to the Armed Forces. The well attended Military Ball, held in March, was a very colorful event enjoyed by all present. The Cadet Corps Company participating in the Memorial Day parade did much in adding to the Corps' fame. Concluding the activities of the year was the annual prize drill.

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Honorable Colonel Thomas Mosson

Standing: T. Mosson, E. Kamel, R. Cormier, J. Miragliotta, F. Cole, D. Rose, H. Lippold, J. Cunha, K. Tripp

Seated: C. Matses, R. Diodati, P. Kuzmitski, R. Laflamme, C. Bamford

Standing: R. Peglow, A. DiLavore, E. Mutzenard, L. Jean, C. Sullivan, S. Petterutti C. Ouellette, S. Lister, J. Pollard, D. Boisvert, M. Kershaw.

Seated: S. Sykes, V. Gagnon, A. Frey, Queen; L. DeLucia, King; R. DeCawer, C. Petzold.

Class Day Pageant

THE Class Day Pageant gives us one of the most beautiful memories of our final days at High School. The ceremony with which it is conducted is very impressive. The participants in their colorful costumes make a fine showing, and play a large part in making our Class Day a success.

Standing: R. Peglow, S. Lister, D. Michaud, M. Macdonald, M. Kilmurray, A. Murray, N. Robinson, S. Peterutti, E. Mutzenard, D. Dietzel, P. Faul, M. Dolan, M. Coulombe.

Seated: D. Matses, E. Espinola, E. Colpitts, B. Short, P. Harris, E. Ford, F. Barker, H. Holman.

Bowling

A Girls' Bowling Team was organized at the High School this year by Miss Chadwick. As this was the first time that we have had a bowling team, everyone was pleased that it proved a success, and gave the girls who participated so much wholesome enjoyment.

Back Row: F. Hyde, A. Murray, M. Macdonald, C. Ouellette
Front Row: S. Jagger, C. Meinelt, D. Humprheys.

The Cheer Leaders

THE Cheer Leaders were a great attraction to the football games this year. The girls worked very hard trying to find new, peppy cheers, and the audience was greatly inspired by their ambition. The group consisted of the following: Seniors: Frances Hyde, Moira Macdonald, Claire Ouelette, Anita Murray, Shirley Jagger. Juniors: Carolyn Meinelt, Dorothy Humphrey. Sophomore: Patricia Snow.

Football

UNDER the competent guidance of coaches Hannigan and Sczapa our grid squad returned to the limelight after an absence of two years and won all but two of the eight games played. At all times the players were a credit to the school, not only for the games they won but also for the fine spirit of sportsmanship they displayed in every contest. Coach Sczapa joined the Navy just before the Johnson game, and our stellar center and captain, John Apkarian, also answered the call of his country to join the Army. He was unable to participate in the last game although he witnessed the fighting underdog, Methuen, whip the vaunted Central Catholic team. Next year the captaincy will be filled by George Harris, a promising junior.

The following are the 1943 lettermen. *Seniors*: John Apkarian, Ralph Corless, Raymond Cormier, Donald Rose, Russell Mason, William Larochelle, Edwin Watts, Archie Apkarian, Raymond French. *Juniors*: Louis Breen, Albert Evans, Donald Hebsch, Alfred Kodis, George Harris, Donald Smith, Robert Otto, Lawson Batty. *Sophomores*: Aran Demerjian, Robert Thompson, Frank Kolb, Bernard O'Rourke, Charles Duemmling, Alfred Ducharme.

Standing: M. Stabile, G. Rotondo, V. Langille, F. Hyde, G. Brown, A. Gorham, J. Koehler, B. Pickles, P. Harris, J. Dyer.

Seated: L. Jean, V. Lawton, M. Coulombe, F. Barker, D. Grass, B Wadsworth.

Girls' Basketball

THE Girls' Basketball Team was unfortunate this year in being able to play only a few games due to the difficulties in trying to arrange for the transportation problem. However, under Coach Dorothy Chadwick's competent guidance, the team, captained by Frances Barker, enjoyed a set of class games in which the seniors were victorious.

Standing: E. Ramsbottom, C. Duemmling, R. Feugill, R. Hogg, E. Yorshis, B. O'Rourke, A. Evans, D. Smith, Coach Fred Rostrom.
Second Row: W. Lumb, D. Hebsch, W. Atkinson, F. Furman, W. Larochelle, R. Corless, R. Cormier, R. Adams.
First Row: G. Caton, J. Chludzinski, L. Vartanian, R. Thompson, B. Keyes.

Boys' Basketball

METHUEN has now joined a select group in the sports world, for we can now boast of an undefeated basketball team. Ours is the first Methuen team that has pushed aside all opposition. Yes, every one in Methuen was jubilant about this quintette that represented this section in in the M. I. T. Tourney in Boston. It was the initial year for basketball in the Boston Garden and the boys really got a kick out of playing there. The court is an exact duplicate of the one in Madison Square Gardens, with glass backboards and all other innovations.

This Methuen "five" went through a regular season of sixteen games without a defeat. Although the fellows had a little tough luck on the seventeenth game in the Tech Tourney, it certainly can be said that Lexington had to work hard for their victory.

A lot of credit goes to coach Fred Rostron, for he toiled diligently with his men. He surely is just the tops with loyal supporters of Searles High School athletes.

Front Row: Bat boy, A. DeLucia, B. O Rourke, W. Atkinson, W. Larochelle, A. Vartanian, Water boy.

Back Row: D. Rose, F. Kolb, D. Hebsch, E. Harris, M. Richardson, A. Evans A. Kodis, R. Thompson, Coach Fred Rostrom, F. Furman.

Baseball

ON April fifth, Coach Fred Rostron called for candidates for the Baseball Team. Twenty-five boys with plenty of ability answered his call. There were five lettermen from last year around which to build the the 1944 nine. The catching was in charge of veteran Don Hebsch with Al Kodis tossing them in. Francis Furman was chosen to "patrol one of the gardens."

Several young aspirants to the team have had experience with junior league baseball and undoubtedly proved helpful, causing the opposition some anxious moments.

Due to the fact that Harvey Boisjoly has joined the Navy the team was left without a captain. This was taken care of by having the coach appoint an acting captain for each game.

Standing: Coach John Byrne, G. Caton, D. Leonard, A. McIlwain, D. Rose, F. Cole, J. Deacy, E. Radcliffe, T. Tanana, J. Telford, R. Smith, R. Brissette

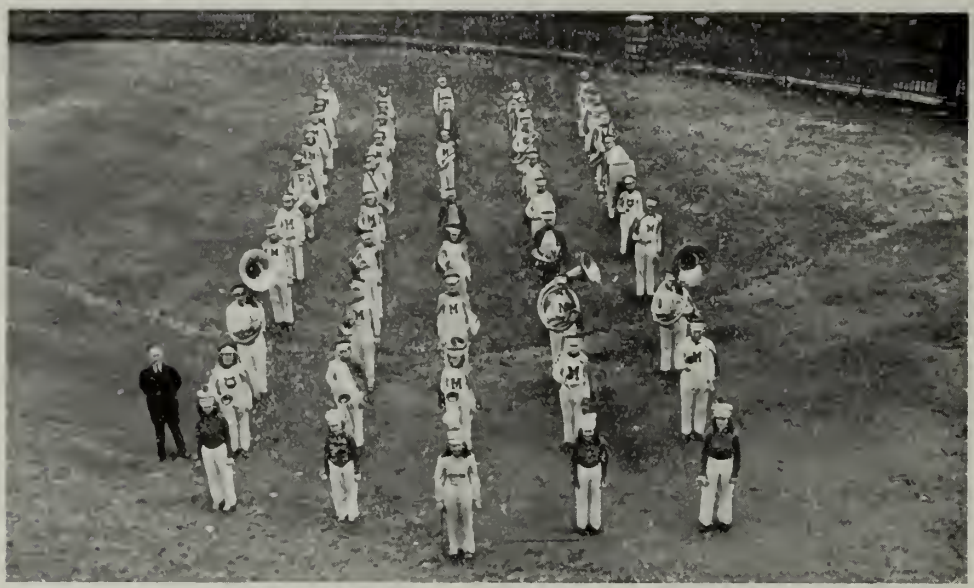
Second Row: J. Curtin, L. Jenkins, D. Smith, W. Smith, R. Miville, D. J. Smith, R. Cormier, E. Groswald, P. Danforth, R. Feugill, C. Bamford

First Row: S. Holland, R. Margraff, F. Dobson, C. Duemmling, E. Quance, E. Yorshis

Track

ABOUT the first of April, thirty-two prospective track stars reported to Coach Byrne for what promised to be an excellent season. Among these boys could be seen the makings of a powerful team. In Ray Cormier we had an able captain as well as an excellent track man.

Although our first meet was lost by one point, there can be no doubt about future victories this year for Methuen in the coming meets.



The Band

UNDER the supervision of our director the band has had a very pleasant year. Mr. McDonnell, a talented musician and an able bandleader, has trained and organized a band of which the school is justly proud. The band which has been in existence nine years, gave an excellent account of itself at all football games and other activities. Each year we have presented a Band Concert and Dance. New music and able leadership have combined to make the band a pleasure and joy both for the players and their audiences.

The band assignments this year: Amesbury football game, St. Johns game, Johnson game, Pinkerton game, Punchard game, Central Catholic game, War Bond Parade in Lawrence, Concert at Steven Barker School, War Bond Auction at Central School, Concert at senior class play, Military Ball, Girls' A.A., Cadet Corps prize drill, Memorial Day parade, Graduation exercises.

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